GOVERNMENT OF GUAM Office of the Governor Agana, Guam

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 69-14

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES REGULATIONS - ZOONOSIS CONTROL SECTION

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 9500.4, Government Code of Guam and the Organic Act of Guam, the attached regulations of the Department of Public Health and Social Services entitled "Zoonosis Control Section" prescribed by the Director of that Department are hereby approved and promulgated effective this date.

Dated at Agana, Guam this 3rd day of September, 1969.

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Acting Governor of Guam

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ZOONOSIS CONTROL SECTION

Section 1. Definitions

- 1.1 "Officer" as used in the Dog Control Law shall include, but is not necessarily limited to, all persons assigned to the Zoonosis Control Section.
- 1.2 "Director" means the Director of Public Health and Social Services.
- Section 2. Premises suitable for "Impoundment" as required by Public Law 10-41 include:
 - 2.1 The Dog Pound, Mangilao.
 - 2.2 Facilities on the premises of any qualified Veterinarian which have been approved by the Chief, Zoonosis Control Section.
 - 2.3 The fenced yard, house or secure animal cage on private premises owned or tenated by the owner of the animal invloved and approved by the Chief, Zoonosis Control Section.
- Section 3. Premises suitable for 'Quarantine as required by Public Law 10-41 include:
 - 3.1 Animal Quarantine Station, Yigo.

- 3.2 Facilities on the premises of a qualified Weterinarianwhich have been approved by the Director.
- 3.3. Commercial animal kennel facilities which have been approved by the Director and which, in addition, have furnished to the Government of Guam a bond in the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) as guarantee that:
 - 3.31 All animals quarantined in such facilities shall be subject to all applicable provisions of Regulation 10 of the Department of Agriculture regarding duration of, entry to and release from quarantine.
 - 3.32 All animals quarantined in such facilities will remain isolated from all other animals.
 - 3.33 All animals quarantined in such facilities will remain, at all times, in cages or other enclosures that have been approved by the Director except when temporarily removed for sanitation, grooming, exercise or other special purposes. Animals quarantined in such facilities shall in no case be removed from approved premises without the permission of the Chief, Zoonosis Control Section.
 - 3.34 The Chief, Zoonosis Control Section or his designated agent shall be permitted to inspect the facilities at any reasonable time.

Violation of any of the above conditions shall constitute grounds for forfeiture of bond, impoundment of quarantimed animals and

cancellation of approval of the use of such facilities for official quarantine purposes.

- Section 4. Dog License. Vaccination requirements for licensing of dogs are as follows:
 - 4.1 Type of vaccine. Acceptable rabies vaccine shall be modified live virus vaccine for dogs and phenolized inactivated vaccine for all other species. Only those vaccines approved by the United States Department of Agriculture will be acceptable.
 - 4.2 Quantity of Vaccine. The quantity of vaccine shall be that recommended by the manufacturer for the species involved.
 - 4.3 Rabies vaccination clinics will be provided when feasible to assure maximum vaccination of pets in areas not readily accessible to other veterinary services.
- Section 5. Rabies Examination. Any impounded or quarantined dog which dies or develops clinical signs suggestive of rabies during the required observation period shall be submitted to the Department of Public Health and Social Services Laboratory for rabies examination. Examination shall consist of fluorescent antibody examination of brain tissue and submission of representative tissue samples to the Communicable Disease Center, Atlanta, Georgia or other recognized diagnostic laboratory for confirmation of results when deemed necessary by the Director.

- shall be used to apprehend dogs running at large when such capture is practical. When the Director shall determine through the use of stray animal surveys, the number of citizen complaints or other methods at his disposal that live-capture has been inadequate to control the number of animals running at large, he may authorize the use of poison baits. Such poisoning shall be carried out within the guidelines set forth in the Dog Control Law and only under the direct supervision of a representative of the Director.
- Section 7. Home Impoundment of Biting Dogs. Animals which have bitten a person or persons may, at the discretion of the Director or his designated representative, be confined for observation on the premises of the owner of such animal. Permission for such confinement shall be granted only when confinement at the Dog Pound will be impractical, detrimental to the safety of Pound employees or the health of the animal involved, or when such other circumstances may prevail as the Director or his designated representative may deem sufficient. Biting dogs and cats vaccinated and licensed in accordance with provisions of the Dog Control Law may, with the permission of the victim or his guardian, be permitted to undergo home impoundment if the owner of such dog or cat furnishes an affidavit stating that he will observe the following:
 - 7.1 The animal will remain confined to the premises specified

- by the Director and isolated from contact with any other animal susceptible to the disease of rabies.
- 7.2 The animal shall be made available for examination by
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 . a representative of the Director at any reasonable time.
- 7.3 The owner must agree to accept sole liability for any legal actions arising out of incidents which occur during, and are a result of such home impoundment.
- 7.4 The failure to abide by any of the provisions of this regulation shall be grounds for immediate seizure and impoundment of the animal involved.
- Section 8. Rabies-Free Areas. Areas recognized by the Director as being rabies-free are: Australia, Bahama Islands, Bermuda Islands, Fiji, Iceland, Eire (Ireland), Jamaica, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, Great Britain and Hawaii. Areas may be added to or removed from this list by the Director at any time based on current information available to him.
- Section 9. Importation of Dogs and Cats from rabies-free areas. Dogs and cats entering Guam from rabies-free areas may be exempted from quarantine requirements provided that, in addition to meeting all other requirements applicable to dogs and cats, they are imported in compliance with the following:
 - 9.1 Each such dog or cat is accompanied by a sworn statement in the form of an affidavit, executed by the owner or consignor

- of the animal in the presence of a Notary Public, recognized Public Health or Livestock Sanitary Officer of the rabies-free area of origin, stating that it has not been imported from outside of, or removed from, such rabies-free during the four-month period immediately preceding the date of shipment to Guam.
- 9.2 That each such dog or cat is accompanied by a statement in the form of an affidavit, signed by the commanding officer or senior station official of each carrier which shall transport such dog or cat during any segment of its trip to Guam, attesting to the following:
 - 9.21 A complete and accurate identification of each such carrier;
 - 9.22 An identification of the port of origin and all ports .

 visited by such carrier including port of termination;
 - 9.23 That such dog or cat was not exposed by direct contact to any other animal not of similar origin and health status while in the custody of such carrier.